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Office of the Regional Administrator / Region I

September 5, 2002

Patricia A. Wilson-Coker, Commissioner Connecticut Department of Social Services 25 Sigourney Street Hartford, Connecticut 06106-5033

Dear Ms. Wilson-Coker:

This is in response to your letter of August 13, 2002, received by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid regional office on August 30, 2002, in which you requested a fourth 90-day temporary extension of the State's home and community-based services waiver #0302, for individuals aged 18 to 64 with acquired brain injury. You requested the additional waiver extension to allow time for your staff to complete a renewal application for the waiver.

We are approving your request so that the waiver can continue through December 26, 2002, at levels approved for initial waiver Year 3 (1/1/2001 to 12/31/2001).

If you have any questions, please call Nancy Grano at (617) 565-1695.

Sincerely,

Lynda F. Silva Acting Regional Administrator

cc: Sylvia Gafford-Alexander, State of Connecticut Elena Nicolella, CMS

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